

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, February 24, 1746.

Since our last arrived a Holland Mail.

From the London Gazette, Feb. 15.

Stockholm, Jan. 21. O.S.

THE general Conversation of this Town turns on the Disasters which have befallen the Swedish Officers, engaged by the French Ambassador, since they left this Place. Fifteen or sixteen of them, by former Accounts, had been put in Goal for Excesses committed by them on the Road to Gottenbourg; and we hear since, that seven or eight more are run-away to Norway, for Fear of being taken up for Debt: Some have been wounded by the Boors, some have been drowned, and one Wallin, Son of the Bishop of Gottenbourg, has been killed upon the Spot, in a Rencontre with another Officer, under the Walls of his Father's House, who, happening to be at the Window, and also his Mother, were Eye-witnesses of their Son's tragical Death. On the 13th instant a Fire broke out at Gottenbourg, by which one Third of the Town has been consumed, and most of the above-mentioned Officers lost their Equipages; and according to the last Letters, those Gentlemen, for Want of Lodging, have been obliged to repair on board the Ship prepared for them; but we do not yet hear when they are to sail.

Hague, Feb. 22. N.S. By Letters from Brabant arrived since last, the French had made an Attempt upon Fort Monterey with a Detachment of 2 or 3000 Men; but had met with so much Opposition, that they drove off again with considerable Loss. The Prince of Waldeck marched Yesterday from Mechlin towards Brussels, with all the Troops he could get together. This Morning the Council of State pronounced their final Sentence upon Colonel Appius, and the rest of the Dutch Officers under Prosecution for Misbehaviour at the Battle of Fontenoy, and declared them all Cowards, (the Dutch Term is *Schelm*, the heaviest Note of Infamy that can be inflicted upon any military Person who is left to live) banished them for ever, under Pain of Death, out of the seven Provinces, and the District of the Generality, with Confiscation of their Goods, Estates, &c.

Willemstadt, Feb. 23. We have Advice here by M. Chalmers, Lieutenant in Scenen's Regiment in this Service, that this Morning at 9 o'Clock he had met with and spoke to the Major of Nassau's Dragoons, late of the Garrison of Brussels, who had told him, that he was sent Express to the Hague by General Vander Durn, to bring the States the News, that on the 19th the Garrison of Brussels had capitulated; that the Conditions were, that the Garrison was to be Prisoners of War, their Arms

to be deposited in the Arsenal of Brussels, till they were exchanged; the Baggage belonging to the Garrison was to be sent to Antwerp, Breda and Maestricht. The British Horse Guards and Horse Grenadier Guards are on board, and the Blue Guards are now embarking.

Whitehall, Feb. 18. The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Colonel Robinson Sowle to be Colonel of his Majesty's Marine Regiment of Foot, late under the Command of Major General Lowther, deceased. Colonel William Graham to be Colonel of the Regiment of Foot, late under the Command of Colonel Robinson Sowle.

Lieutenant Colonel James Kennedy to be Colonel of the Regiment of Foot, late under the Command of Colonel William Graham. And,

Major General William Blakeney to be Lieutenant Governor of his Majesty's Town and Citadel of Plymouth, in the Room of Lieutenant Governor Gybbon, deceased.

Montrose, Feb. 9. The last of the Rebel Army left this Place Yesterday at Noon; it is judged their Route is for Aberdeen. All to the Southward of this Place is now clear of them. It is generally thought the Pretender's Son was here, a Person having been brought into this Town, and kept very privately all Friday Night last, and having moved off before Day-light on Saturday Morning. The Party here consisted of about 100 Gentlemen, 50 of what they call the Life Guards, about 150 private Men, with Lord Elcho. Lord George Murray lodged three Miles from this Place on Thursday Night last, and the same Day Lord Pittligo passed by Brechin, and most of the common Men, excepting those the Clans, went that Road. There were not above 25 of the Men which came from France, that returned from Stirling, and 10 of those remain here, in order to throw themselves at the Feet of his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland.

Dunkeld, Feb. 9. By a Country Man just now returned from Dalnacardoch, who had been carrying Baggage for the Rebels, there is an Account, that on Friday Night last about 1000 of the Clans, with about 40 Gentlemen on Horseback, 50 Baggage Horses, together with all the Prisoners carried from Falkirk, who were in a miserable Condition, some wanting Shoes and Stockings, arrived at Dalnacardoch in their Way towards the North: That Yesterday their Artillery, with about 80 Cart-load of Baggage, was carried off from Blair, and that it was given out that they were driving them to Ruthven in Badenoch; That Yesterday in the Afternoon Lochyell, and some other Gentlemen, marched Northwards: That very few Men remained about Blair but what belonged to Lord Lewis Gordon's Regiment: That the pretended Prince, and a Number of Gentlemen, continued at Blair this Morning, when the said Countryman left that Place.

All the Men pressed out of this Country have already made their Escape, and are returned home. The Rebels as yet continue to keep out Guards as far down as the Pass of Killycranky.

Perth, Feb. 10. By Advices from Montrose, the French, and a Number of Rebels, making together 700, upon seeing the Impossibility of getting from thence by Sea, as Admiral Bing watched them so closely, (after mauling and spoiling some Cannon which they could not carry from thence by Land) marched to Aberdeen and Peterhead. It is not quite certain whether the Pretender's Son is actually at Blair, or incognito with his other Party that is gone from Montrose; but whatever the Reason of it is, the Rebels give out that he is every Day hunting and hawking at Blair. The Duke of Athol has published a Declaration, requiring all his Vassals to come to Dunkeld, and Kirk Michael, and join the Troops that are to be sent thither to disarm and apprehend the Rebels, on Pain of their being proceeded against with the utmost Severity in case of Refusal. Yesterday General Campbell came hither to meet his Royal Highness the Duke, and brought with him four Companies of Western Highlanders. Since writing the above, certain Intelligence is come in, that the Rebels had retired from Blair, upon our two Detachments taking Post at Castle Menzie and Dunkeld. It is now to be hoped, that they are fully prevented from forming a Corps any more, as we shall have Possession of Blair, which is the first Place where they can rendezvous. Major General Campbell is to be sent to the Western Highlands, whilst his Son remains here with about 600 Highlanders to go upon Parties. As soon as we can lay up our Magazines of Bread, we shall march Northwards by the Coast, to be more at Hand to send Detachments into the Hills, as it will be impossible for the whole Body to go that Way.

From Wye's Letter, London, Feb. 18.

Yesterday came Advice that the Justitia, Johnston, from Maryland for London, is taken by the French, and carried into St. John's de Luce; also that the Fairmily, Giston, from London for Lisbon, was taken ten Leagues from the Isle of Wight by a French Privateer. — Some Accounts from Pool of the 15th Instant, say, that no less than eight Vessels have been taken by the French that Week between Portland and St. Albans.

Yesterday the Commons ordered an Address to his Majesty, that he would be graciously pleased to lay before them Copies of the Mutters, or Lists and Returns of the effective Men of the Dutch Troops when they landed in Great Britain, and likewise the Returns by Marshal Wade, when he took the Command of those Troops, also of the Establishment of those Troops for their Service in Great Britain. Ordered a Bill for Mutiny and Desertion. — Passed the Bill for the more easy and speedy Trial of such Persons as have levied or shall levy War against his Majesty, ordered it to the Lords.

This Day the Lords read a first Time the Bill for the more easy and speedy Trial of such Persons as have levied or shall levy War against his Majesty, &c. Also for taking off the negative Voice in the Court of Aldermen.

Advice is come, that the Nancy Privateer has taken near the Bermuda Islands a French Ship laden with Sugar, Coffee, &c. besides a large Quantity of Dollars; and that the two French Privateers, which for some Months past have been a great Obstruction to the Jamaica Trade, are both taken in the Windward Passage, and carried into that Island.

From the London Evening Post, Feb. 18.

Extract of a Letter from Mechlin, Feb. 20.

On Monday last the Garrison of Brussels made two very brisk Sallies, and at the same time, one by the Gate of Escarbeck, and the other by that of Lake, with such Success, that they drove the Enemy from their Posts, killed 200 Men, nailed up the Guns on the Battery against the first mentioned Gate, and carried in 50 Prisoners. In the Night between the 14th and 15th the Enemy attempted several Posts with the best Part of their Grenadiers, supported by several Battalions, but were repulsed with great Loss. On the 16th and 17th they made a dreadful Fire with their Cannon and Mortars, by which they set Fire to the Houses in some Places, but it was soon put out again: The Day before Yesterday and Yesterday, we heard no Firing at all, the Reason of which we cannot imagine.

P. S. This Moment we have Advice, that the Prince of Waldeck has struck his Tents, and is in full March in order to relieve Brussels.

L O N D O N, Feb. 18.

They write from Paris, that Major Brown, who arrived at Versailles with an Account of the Action at Falkirk, was made a Knight of the Order of St. Louis by the French King.

Letters from Falmouth of the 15th Instant take Notice, that Capt. Legg, of the Lizard Sloop, was come in there, and left Commodore Fox, with 4 Sail of Men of War, in the Channel: He reports, that the French and Spanish Men of War, to the Number of 32 Sail, are joined at Brest.

According to the last Advices from Naples, all the Warehouses of the English and Dutch Merchants there had been locked and sealed up, in spite of the Protests of the Consuls, and the Illegality of such Proceedings in a free Port, as Naples has been hitherto esteemed. It is expected that all the Ships of the two Nations will also be searched.

The Court-Martial, appointed to meet this Day at Deptford, is adjourned to Tuesday next; the Occasion of it is, the waiting for Admiral Byng's coming to London from the North.

From the St. James's Evening Post, Feb. 18.

Lisbon, Jan. 13. O. S. There entered this Port Yesterday, a Ship from the Groyne, with Advice, that six Spanish Men of War arrived there from the Havanna, having on board the Treasure, amounting as is said, in the whole, to fifteen Millions, registred and unregistred. We learn by the same Ship, that five French Men of War were arrived in the same Port for Cadiz, and that they were to steer from thence for Ferrol, in order to join four Spanish Men of War that are there, and then to sail with them to Brest.

Paris, Jan. 28. O.S. It's assured we have already lost before Bruffels a great Number of our choicest Troops: It's however said, that Marshal Saxe has informed the King, that the Garrison was on the 23d at Night obliged to abandon the Covered Way, and that the Governour had demanded the Honours of War, in order to capitulate; but the Marshal persists upon the whole Garrison's, without Exception, being made Prisoners of War. Letters from Rochefort advise, that on the 9th five Men of War went from thence to join the Brest Squadron, which are immediately to sail, in order to carry a considerable Reinforcement of Troops, Arms and Ammunition into Scotland. They write from Italy, that Marshal Maillebois is very ill there; but that our Troops had taken Castle-Franco and Pigna, and made 600 Men Prisoners, and open'd a Communication with Genoa.

M. Van Hoey acquainted the States General, that in Case the British Court would grant the Subjects of the Republick an entire Liberty in regard to Navigation, the Most Christian King would do the like.

Extract of a Letter from Paris, Feb. 14.

The Duke de Richlieu, who is as impatient of the Delays that are made of the Embarkation at Boulogne, Dunkirk, &c. as he is uneasy at being kept in a State of Inaction, and at so great a Distance from Paris, has wrote to Court to obtain Leave of returning thither: But the Marquis de Argenson by Order of his Majesty, has wrote the following Letter to him, viz. 'Sir, upon acquainting his Majesty with the Contents of the Letter which you did me the Honour to write to me the 6th Instant, his Majesty has ordered me to let you know, that he would willingly consent to grant the Permission you desired of coming to Paris, if the Circumstances of Affairs were of a Nature that would permit such an Absence; but as his Majesty intends that the Transportation shall put to Sea as speedily as possible, and that he has, upon your Representations of the Necessity of its being conveyed by some Men of War, deferred causing it to sail, you will, I hope, conclude, Sir, that his Majesty cannot easily comply with your Demand. Another Inconvenience is, that his Majesty having foreseen the Design that his Enemies have of coming with a considerable Force into the low Countries, has judg'd it of the utmost Importance, in order to secure the Frontiers of his Kingdom, to cause Marshal Saxe to enter into Brabant, and make himself Master of all the Passages, and, if possible, to employ the Enemy the next Campaign in their own Territories. As his Majesty has not less at Heart the Success of this Expedition, than that against England; and as he well knows how zealous and active you are and would be to cause this last to succeed, he would be extremely concerned to lose a proper Opportunity of conducting Things to the proposed Point: By only a little Patience therefore, your Desire will be accomplish'd. This, Sir, is what his Majesty has expressly order'd me to signify to you, &c.'

L O N D O N, Feb. 18.

The following is the Scheme for raising three Millions for the Service of the current Year, viz. Two Millions and a Half Annuities at four per Cent. Half a Million by way of Lottery, the Blanks and Prizes to carry four per

Cent. The Subscribers for 100 Tickets, and the Proportion for Annuities, are to have a Life Annuity of 90 l. per Annum, and so in Proportion for a greater or lesser Number of Tickets subscribed.

Last Saturday Night died at his House in Hanover-Square, upwards of 60 Years of Age, the Hon. Martin Bladen, Esq; of Alburyhatch in the County of Essex, Member of Parliament for Portsmouth, and one of the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, the Salary of which is 1000 l. per Annum.

Bank Stock no Price. Ditto Permits 15 3 4ths Prem. India ditto 156. South Sea Stock 93 1 half ex Dividend.

South Sea Stock sells as above with the Dividend of 2 per Cent. due at Christmas last, which will be paid the 20th Instant.

The India Dividend of 4 per Cent. will be paid the 27th Instant.

The Bank Stock, Transfer Book, will be shut from the 21st Instant, to the 10th of April, for the Lady-Day Dividend; and the Call of 10 l. per Cent. on the Capital (which will be made Stock at Par) to be made in two Payments, viz. 5 l. per Cent. on the 28th Instant, and 5 l. per Cent. on the 28th of March, is Assignable by Permits, and sell as above.

E D I N B U R G H, February 24.

We learn from Perth, that the Army, in several Divisions, has moved from that Place, taking their Rout by Coupar of Angus; that his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland was to set out on Friday last, and that the Van-guard was to be as Yesterday at Aberdeen, and the main Body at Montrose.

From Aberdeen, that the Rebels left that Place on Tuesday the 18th.

The Hessians, who are quartered about this City, have behaved for the most Part very civilly: However last Week 6 private Men, reckoning our Markets too dear, thought proper to step into a Countryman's Cow-house, where were several Cows, seized the first that came to Hand, (which happened to be very lean) and, without asking the Price, went immediately to work, killing her, and dividing the Carcase into six equal Parts, which they carried off, leaving the Hide and Entrails to the Owner: But he not content with his Share, got Information of their Names, and lodged a Complaint with their Officers, who ordered the full Value of the Cow to be paid him, and the Soldiers to receive 300 Lashes each, which Sentence was accordingly on Thursday last execute.

On Friday last died here, Sir John Scott of Ancrum, Bart. in Roxburgh Shire; a Gentleman who was a constant and real Well-wisher of his Country, a good Father and sincere Friend: So that as he was universally beloved in the County where he lived, his Death is much regreted by his Family, Neighbours and Friends. He is succeeded in his Honours and Estate by his eldest Son Lieutenant William Scott in Barrel's Regiment, by his deceas'd Lady, eldest Daughter of William Nisbet of Dirleton, Esq;.

That Forenoon died Dr. John Wilson Teacher of Mathematicks in this City, and Author of the Treatise on Trigonometry, a Gentleman eminent in that Profession.

On Saturday 2 Troops of Lord Mark Ker's Dragoons marched Westward.

Yesterday a Detachment of the Hessian Troops took the same Route, and was followed this Day by another Division.

His Highness the Prince of Hesse went up this Forenoon to the Castle, when he was saluted with a Round of the Great Guns.

We hear Mr. William Grant is to be appointed his Majesty's Advocate for Scotland.

'Tis said that Stages and flying Posts are to be settled betwixt this City and Aberdeen, for the Dispatch of Letters to and from the Army.

The Gentlemen of the MUSICAL SOCIETY have appointed a Concert for Ladies, at Mary's Chapel, this Day. The Members will please call for their Tickets at Mr. Carmichael's Writing-chamber in James's Court, West Entry, and 5th Door down Stairs.

Leith, Feb. 22. Arrived here the John and Margaret of Leith, Steel, and Hodge of Borowstonness, with Merchant Goods on board, and 4 Victuallers for the Army, under Convoy of the Exeter Man of War, a 60 Gun Ship, commanded by Capt. Smith, who is appointed Commodore of the Squadron on the Coast of Scotland, and Admiral Byng returns to London, his Presence and Assistance at Deptford, it seems, being much wanted.

And said Day were brought Prisoners to this Place four Sailors belonging to the Spanish Ship taken at Peterhead, and were examined by a Justice of Peace, and then sent to Prison.

This Day, the 16th Day of the Moon, it is high Water at Leith, Forenoon, at 1 o'clock, 54 M. Afternoon, at 2, 18 M. Tuesday, Forenoon, at 2, 42 M. Afternoon, at 3, 6 M. Wednesday, Forenoon, at 3, 30 M. Afternoon, at 3, 54 M.

Full Moon this Afternoon betwixt 3 and 4.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. PATRICK DRUMMOND, at his Shop in the Lawn-market, opposite to Libberton's Wind, Edinburgh, has just now imported from the properest Places abroad a great Variety of Garden and Grass Seeds, and such Tree Seeds as last Season produced, particularly Beech-mast; also a curious Collection of Flower Seeds, Anemone, Ranunculus, and Italian Tuberoses Roots, and all Sorts of Gardening Utensils. He has likewise just now got home a Parcel of fine Spleet Pease (which are approved of by all that has hitherto got of them) for Pot Use, fine Eating Oil, Flower of Mustard, and all Sorts of Plain and Gilded Writing Paper, &c. As he served his Employers last Year with Approbation, any others that please to employ him may depend on being served with as good Seeds, &c. and at as low Prices, as any where else in Town.

Catalogues to be had at said Shop.

To be SOLD by Roup, on Thursday next, the 27th of February instant, at 12 o'clock Forenoon, in the Parliament house.

About Fourteen hundred Bolls of OAT-MEAL, mostly

in Bags, in whole or in Parcells, as the Company shall desire.

The Meal may be viewed at the Castle any Day before the Roup, upon calling at Mr. Robert Griffith there.

To be LETT by way of publick Roup, on Tuesday the 4th Day of March next, at the House of Earmoun,

Sundry of the GRASS INCLOSURES of Barntoun, to be possessed till Candlemas next. The Conditions of Roup are to be seen in the Hands of Mr. Edgar Factor to the Right Hons the Countess of Rugglen.

To be SOLD or SETT,

The HOUSE and SHOP opposite to the Tron Church, that belonged to the deceased Baillie Thomas Fenton. Enquire for Particulars at Mr. Paul Husband Merchant at his Shop, Edinburgh.

This Day is publish'd (to be sold by T. Iamfsden and J. Robertson at their Printing house in the Fish market, and by W. Miller near the Cross, and other Bookfellers in Town).

An ADDRESS to the Burgeesses Inhabitants of Edinburgh: Observing the Defects of the Old Sett; and proposing the Pass of a Bill to Parliament, for an Act to restore and establish a Town council and Magistracy for the CITY, and to ascertain the Right and Manner of Electing its Member to Parliament. — In which, and Notes on it, are observed, some Particulars concerning the Laws now in Force relative to Burrow Elections, worthy (perhaps) of the Consideration of all the Royal Burghs of Scotland in general, and of the City of Edinburgh (tho' it was to have no New Sett) in particular.

N. B. This is not wrote by the Author, or on the Part, of any Thing heretofore publish'd on the Subject of the Town's Sett.

That ALEXANDER CHRISTY at Perth will lay down CLOTH as soon as the Weather permits; and bleaches at the following Prices, viz. All Cloth wrought in a ten hundred Reed and under, from Half Yard to Yard wide, at 1 d. per Yard, if the common Sale Cloth and belonging to the Merchants of Perth, but if to others, at 2 d. per Yard: But Cloth taken in at Edinburgh, Stirling or Montrose, eleven hundred and under, at 3 d. halfpenny; twelve and thirteen hundred, at 4 d. fourteen hundred, at 4 d. halfpenny; fifteen hundred, at 5 d. sixteen hundred, at 5 d. halfpenny; and all above, at 6 d. per Yard, Yard wide: And so in proportion for Linnen and Diapers.

Cloth for this Field is to be taken in by James Mansfield at the Blue Boar, opposite to the Upper end of the Luckenbooths, Edinburgh; at Montrose by Alexr Christy Merchant; at Stirling by Mrs. Downie Relief of the deceased Andrew Downie Merchant; at Perth by the said Alexr. Christy. Receipts will be given at each Place; and it is desired that the Receipts be carefully kept, in order to be given up upon Delivery of the Cloth. No Cloth to be taken in after the Middle of July, to be returned white this Season.

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